

CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA
South Fulton Service Center Auditorium, 5600 Stonewall Tell Road
Tuesday, February 13, 2018, 7:00pm



The Honorable William “Bill” Edwards, Mayor (present)
The Honorable Mark Baker, District 7, Mayor Pro Tem (present)
The Honorable Catherine F. Rowell, District 1, Councilmember (present)
The Honorable Carmalitha Gumbs, District 2 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable Helen Z. Willis, District 3 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable Naeema Gilyard, District 4 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable Rosie Jackson, District 5 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable khalid kamau, District 6 Councilmember (present)

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Edwards at 8:05pm. Following the roll call by the City Clerk, all members were present, therefore, a quorum was present.

2. Invocation

The Invocation was rendered by Pastor Warren T. Henry.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

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4. Approval of the Consent Agenda
- a. Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, January 23, 2018 (Work Session and Regular Meeting)
 - b. Meeting Minutes – Saturday, January 27, 2018 (Special Called Meeting [Community Forum])
 - c. Meeting Minutes – Monday, January 29, 2018 (Special Called Meeting [Closed Executive Session])
 - d. Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, January 31, 2018 (Special Called Meeting [Closed Executive Session])
 - e. Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, February 7, 2018 (Special Called Meeting [Closed Executive Session])
 - f. Agreements – CFO Frank Milazi
 - i. Agr2018-001 CivicPlus
 - ii. Agr2018-002 IKON
 - iii. Agr2018-003 Interdev
 - iv. Agr2018-004 Neo Postage Machine
 - v. Agr2018-005 Milner (Copier)
 - vi. Agr2018-006 Edmunds Associates
 - vii. Agr2018-007 VIVO360
 - viii. Agr2018-008 Courtware
 - g. Proclamation – Cornerstone Community Baptist Church 20th Anniversary Appreciation Day (**Rowell**)

A motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Councilmembers Gilyard and Jackson to approve the Consent Agenda as amended (1/23/2018 Work Session Minutes revisions by Councilmember Gilyard). The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

5. Approval of the Regular Meeting Agenda
- **Remove the Human Resources presentation from the Regular Meeting Agenda (heard during the Work Session).**
 - **Remove, as requested by Mayor Edwards, Resolutions, item iv – Resolution to develop a park, recreation, trail and open space master plan for the City of South Fulton. (Rowell and Gilyard – Res2018-007)**

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- **Remove**, as requested by Mayor Edwards, Resolutions, item vii – Resolution regarding a proposed letter of intent for property located at 7345 Old National Highway and 7335 Old National Highway; and for other purposes. (Res2018-010)
- **Remove**, as requested by Mayor Edwards, Ordinances, item v – [1st READING] An Ordinance to amend Title 11 of the City of South Fulton Code of Ordinances, parks and recreation; to establish facility rules and regulations for the City of South Fulton Parks and recreational facilities; and for other purposes. (Rowell – Ord2018-007)

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Baker and seconded by Councilmembers Gumbs and Gilyard to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

6. Proclamations and Recognitions

There were no Proclamations or Recognitions.

7. Public Comment

- a. Speakers will be granted up to two minutes each and public comment will not exceed 30 minutes. Speakers will not be allowed to yield or donate their time to other speakers.

The following seventeen (17) citizens offered public comments:

- **Mr. Wayne Hines (speaking on behalf of Fire Fighters- IAFF 3920)** Ready to serve the citizens of the City of South Fulton, would like the City to name Larry Few as Fire Chief.
- **Ms. Barbara McKee (District 6)** Paramedics took twenty-six (26) minutes to get to her house, would like the time element to be improved. The noise on Creel Rd and Old National Hwy is disturbing. On February 26, a community forum event for citizens to voice what they would like to see improved/added to their Districts will be held.
- **Ms. Sandra Rodgers (District 5)** commends the Mayor and Council for Ordinances to restrict truck routes from South Fulton City streets.
- **Mr. Mike Johnson (District5)** concerned about issues in South Fulton: truck routes need to be restricted on City streets and the

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trains running along Hwy 29 need to be curtailed, call CSX to stop so many trains.

- **Mr. Reginald Tatum (District 1)** Council Meetings need to start on time, 7:00pm not 8:00pm. Encourages support for Ordinances presented by Councilmembers on parental accountability, loitering and truck routes. When hiring a Police Chief, Mayor and Council need to make sure that he/she is bad (fierce).
- **Ms. Wanda Mosley (District 3)** concerned that a City Manager has not been hired; the Truck Routes Ordinance is important to the citizens of South Fulton. Economic development is needed, but not at the expense of the quality of life in South Fulton. Appreciate the Council's work to improve the City's quality of life for citizens thus far.
- **Ms. Gwendolyn R. Davis (District 6)** there is a need for a comprehensive public information system for the City of South Fulton. Timing of vital information from South Fulton is delayed in reaching the citizens.
- **Ms. Cynthia Barron (District 3)** concerned with burned out house next door since 2014. Calls were made to address this burned out house and nothing has been done – when calling it is hard to reach a live person. Code Enforcement needs to step up to meet the needs of the citizens.
- **Mr. David Callahan (District 6)** concerned about trash being dumped in Hillandale Estates. Wants to know how many fines have been imposed for illegal dumping, since the City was incorporated. So far, Code Enforcement has not been helpful.
- **Mr. Woodson 'Woody' Galloway (Lincoln Prop Company)** concerning support of the Truck Routes Ordinance; the map has some areas that should not be restricted. He offered alternatives.
- **Mr. Thant Coleman (District 4)** spoke about his background in Insurance, Health Care, and Budgets. In the future, Mayor and Council should consider people like him as candidates for positions such as City Manager and other roles, even though they have no background in those positions.
- **Ms. Beverly Young (District 7)** Mayor and Council need to stay off the news, Facebook and social media because the citizens cannot trust you to operate the City if you can't get your facts right.

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- **Mr. Dean Licorish (Westwood Association)** concerned with crime in South Fulton. Mayor has his complete trust. Citizens should work with the Police Department to eliminate crime in South Fulton.
- **Ms. Glenda Collins (District 5)** would like to see the Mayor and/or Council sponsor a Job Fair during Spring break or sometime during the summer for students. She supports the Truck Routes Ordinance because trucks cause pollution, damage home construction and streets. Citizens need to know the boundaries of the City.
- **Ms. Bevelyn Parham (District 5)** supports the Truck Routes Ordinance. Attended Union City meetings regarding trucks and pollution and she is disappointed with them.
- **Mr. John A. Jones (District 5)** supports the Truck Routes Ordinance, put citizens first. Mayor and Council should consider outside firms to help with some of the issues facing the City. Also, try working with the State and other neighboring cities to find peaceful solutions.
- **Ms. Ivory Morris Denson (District 2)** concerned with 911 System. South Fulton needs to check and make sure land-lines and cell phones show actual addresses and not a tower for the 911 calls coming from individual residents.

8. Business

a. Resolutions

- i. Resolution of the City of South Fulton, Georgia executing a Cooperation Agreement between the City and the South Fulton Community Improvement District and to provide an effective date. **(Res2017-061, HELD on October 10, 2017 & January 23, 2018)**

A motion was made by Councilmember Gilyard and seconded by Councilmember khalid to hold Res2017-061 until the Council receives the additional information requested by Councilmember Gilyard from the South Fulton CID. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

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- ii. Resolution to urge the Georgia General Assembly to oppose de-annexation legislation to create new municipalities; providing for severability, repealing inconsistent Resolutions, providing an effective date, and for other purposes. **(Gilyard, Rowell, Gumbs and Willis – Res2018-005)**

A motion was made by Councilmember Gilyard and seconded by Councilmember khalid to approve Res2018-005, as read. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

- iii. Resolution to require certain protocols for citizens making public comments; to institute a process of responding to citizens' questions provided in City Council meetings; providing transparency and accountability for the City of South Fulton; and for other purposes. **(Gumbs – Res2018-006)**

A motion was made by Councilmember Gumbs and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard to approve Res2018-006 on substitute, 1. Public Comments Generally - change Citizens to Members of the public. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

- iv. ~~Resolution to develop a park, recreation, trail and open space master plan for the City of South Fulton. **(Rowell and Gilyard – Res2018-007)**~~

REMOVED from the Agenda, as requested by Mayor Edwards.

- v. Resolution to require Financial Impact Statements for any proposed Ordinances and Resolutions; and for other purposes. **(Mayor Edwards – Res2018-008)**

A motion was made by Councilmember Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard to approve Res2018-008, as amended.

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Councilmember khalid offered the following friendly amendments to strike Section 6, All Resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed; strike Section 2. D. note - it indicates Approval by the City Manager, if passed immediately, we do not have a City Manager; Section 3, The sponsors of any proposed ordinance or resolution, where such exist, are responsible for preparation and submission – again currently no City Manager; and Section 4. Whether a financial impact statement meets the requirements of this resolution is in the Mayor’s discretion. Replace Mayor to CFO or Budget Manager.

The friendly amendment for Section 4 was accepted, and Section 6 shall add wording to read ‘This Resolution shall not have a retroactive effect’. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

- vi. Resolution to approve and designate fire department areas of operations and for other purposes. **(Res2018-009)**

A motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Councilmember khalid to approve Res2018-009, as read. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

- ~~vii. Resolution regarding a proposed letter of intent for property located at 7345 Old National Highway and 7335 Old National Highway; and for other purposes. **(Res2018-010)**~~

REMOVED from the Agenda, as requested by Mayor Edwards.

- viii. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of South Fulton, Georgia and Fulton County, Georgia for the provision of police services for the Fulton Industrial District and citizens of the Fulton Industrial Boulevard area in Georgia; and for other purposes. **(Gilyard - Res2018-011)**

A motion was made by Councilmember Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard and Mayor Pro Tem Baker to approve Res2018-011, as read. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

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b. Ordinances

- i. **[2nd READING]** An Ordinance to establish the City of South Fulton Truck Routes Ordinance as Chapter 2 of Title 8 of the City of South Fulton Code of Ordinances. **(Rowell, Willis and Jackson – Ord2018-003)**

A motion was made by Councilmember Gilyard and seconded by Councilmember Jackson to approve Ord2018-003, as is.

A friendly amendment was made by Councilmember Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Willis to change Sec. 8-2003 (b) striking ‘Restricted Vehicles leaving or returning to its customary storage location at the owner or operator’s personal residence. Amending Sec. 8-2003 (d) to change hours from 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.; and Section 5: the effective date of this Ordinance shall be March 15, 2018. The friendly amendment was accepted. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

- ii. **[2nd READING]** An Ordinance to create Title 15 of the City of South Fulton Code of Ordinances, offenses; to establish offenses related to criminal street gangs; to provide for authority to combat the growth and activity of criminal street gangs; and for other purposes. **(Jackson – Ord2018-004)**
- iii. **[2nd READING]** An Ordinance to create Title 15 of the City of South Fulton Code of Ordinances, criminal offenses; to establish general offenses, offenses related to property rights, offenses related to the public peace and order, offenses related to loitering, offenses related to criminal gangs; to establish penalties; and for other purposes. **(Rowell and Gumbs – Ord2018-005)**

HEARD TOGETHER. A motion was made by Councilmember Rowell and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Baker to approve Ord2018-004 and Ord2018-005, as read. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

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- iv. **[1st READING]** An Ordinance to approve the City Smokefree Act of 2017. **(Rowell and Gumbs – Ord2018-006)**

READ.

- v. ~~**[1st READING]** An Ordinance to amend Title 11 of the City of South Fulton Code of Ordinances, parks and recreation; to establish facility rules and regulations for the City of South Fulton Parks and recreational facilities; and for other purposes. **(Rowell – Ord2018-007)**~~

REMOVED from the Agenda, as requested by Mayor Edwards.

- vi. **[1st READING]** An Ordinance defining the duties and powers of City Department Heads; providing for their appointment; and for other purposes. **(Jackson – Ord2018-008)**

READ. Councilmember khalid suggested changing the section regarding City Department Heads, 3.25(1) During the transition period and in the absence of a City Manager... to During the transition period or in the absence of a City Manager. Councilmember Rowell indicated that for future purposes, if the City was without a City Manager the change should be, ... During the transition period in the absence of a City Manager.

c. Purchasing

- i. Microsoft licensing procurement utilizing state-wide contracting in an amount up to \$200,000.00. (Information Technology)

Namarr Strickland, Director of Information Technology, gave an overview of the licensing requirements needed for the COSF to move forward with utilizing state-wide contracting. The agreement period is three (3) years and payment would be spread over that three-year period.

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A motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard to approve the expenditure, as presented. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

d. Nomination by Mayor Edwards

Mayor Edwards asked David Dove, City Attorney Representative, to inform the public of action taken during Executive Session.

Mr. Dove announced during the Executive Session a finalist was named for the position of City Manager. He explained under State law there is a 14-day period where final action could be taken by the governing authority of the City. Being named a finalist does not mean an offer of employment. During the 14-day period a citizen can submit an Open Records Request to view the finalist information, If the finalist refuses to let the public view their information, they rescind their position as a finalist. The public can submit an Open Records Request to the Clerk's Office.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Baker and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to recess for a closed Executive Session for personnel matters. Hearing no objections, the motion passed. Councilmembers Rowell and Gilyard did not vote.

9. Other Reports

a) ~~Human Resources Report – Zina Cooper~~

Presented during the Work Session Agenda

b) Grants Administration Presentation – Kathleen Vaughn

Ms. Vaughn, Grants Administrator, gave an overview and brief description of Grants available for COSF over the next several months, including but not limited to Federal, HUD (CDBG), State and Private Sector Grants.

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- c) 2018 Dr. Pepper Snapple Park Infrastructure Grant Application –
Kathleen Vaughn

Ms. Vaughn gave the Mayor and Council information related to submission of the 2018 Dr. Pepper Snapple Park Infrastructure Grant Application now being prepared on behalf of the City of South Fulton for a pilot recycling program at Welcome All Park.

~~10. Mayor and City Council Comments (Two Minutes Each)~~

11. Executive Session

The Executive Session began at 9:53pm and adjourned at 10:42pm.

At the request of Mayor Edwards, the City Clerk announced that a motion was made during the Executive Session regarding personnel to discuss the permanent City Attorney. It was moved to appoint Emilia C. Walker of Fincher Denmark, LLC at the same rate of pay as the current Interim City Attorney and retain the Robbins Firm for litigation and annexation representation.

Kimberly Anderson, City Attorney Representative, respectfully declined. Without the confidence and support of the full Council, the Robbins Firm's decision is to make a permanent, clean break and not represent the City for litigation and annexation. She suggest a 30-day transition period.

12. Adjournment

A quorum was lost. Mayor Edwards, Councilmembers Gumbs and Jackson were present.

The meeting adjourned at 10:46pm

Mark Massey, City Clerk